of Alaska Press, 2003.

## Domestic Geographic Name Report

1 Use this form to recommend a feature name of suggest a name change.  2. For features on Federal lands, coordinate requests with the agency (U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, etc.) For the administrative area in the service of the servic	information on the local use recommended name.  4. For more information ab Names Information System Gazetteer Program, contact	out the Geographic or the National the U.S. Board on	5. Return this form to:  Executive Secretary for Domestic Geographic Names U.S. Geological Survey 523 National Center Reston, VA 22092		
which the land is located.	Geographic Names at 703-	548-4544			
Action Requested	December ded News	TTub ab an anditum			
Proposed New Name: X	Recommended Name:	Unhghenesditnu			
Application Change:	State:	Alaska	_		
Name Change:	County or Equivalent: Administrative Area:	Kenai Peninsula I State Land Grant	Borough as Municipal Entitlement		
Specific Area Covered:         Latitude:       60       ° 25       ' 0.95       " N Longitude:       -151       ° 17       ' 32       " W         Latitude:       60       ° 23       ' 53.2       " N Longitude:       -151       ° 12       ' 16.3       " W					
Center:	Heading E				
Section(s) Township(s) 4N Range(s) 11, 12 W Meridian Seward Elevation					
Type of Feature (stream, mountain, populated place, etc.): Stream					
Is the Feature identified (include					
Yes No _X Unknow	If <b>Yes</b> , how is it list	ed?			
Description of feature (physical	l shape, length, width, directi	on of flow, etc.):			
The mouth of this stream is the ra	vine south of the Kalifornsky	Village Site and rur	ns west from across Kalifornsky Beach		
Maps and other sources using a mended name (including scale	( Ithar nama	(variants) or ap	s and other sources using other name oplication (including scale and date). $$\rm N/A$$		
Kari, James. "Kalifornsky, The	Californian From Cook Inlet".	Alaska in Perspect	<i>ive</i> , vol. 5, no. 1, 1983 pp. 2-3.		

Boraas, Alan. "Kasilof River Dena'ina Territory, Place Name [Map]" Kenai Peninsula College.n.d.

Kari, James and James Fall. Shem Pete's Alaska 2016: The Territory of the Upper Cook Inlet Dena'ina. 1st ed., University

## Name information such as origin, meaning of the recommended name, historical significance, biographic data (if commemorative), nature of usage or application, or any other pertinent information:

Unhghenesditnu is the proposed name for a stream located south of Kalifornsky Village, a significant Dena'ina site situated on the east shore of Tikatnu/Cook Inlet, north of the Kasilof River mouth, on the Kenai Peninsula. Kenaitze Indian Tribe owns many parcels in the area around this creek, and is not located in a wilderness area. The five-syllable word is phonetically spelled and pronounced: *unh-ghe-nes-DIT-nu*, literally meaning, LAST-BY-AHEAD-ONE-STREAM, underscoring the descripting quality of the Alaska Native place name. According to the applicant, James Kari, Professor Emeritus of Alaska Native Languages at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, the name also served as a Dena'ina boundary marker, possibly used to delineate the Dena'ina territory from an unknown tribe that preceded the Dena'ina on the Kenai Peninsula. The name was first published by Anthropologist and Kenai Peninsula College Professor, Alan Boraas, who worked extensively with Dena'ina speaker Peter Kalifornsky and excavated the Kalifornsky Village site in 1975. According to the applicant, the name has been in local use for centuries. The applicant identified the creek name, Unhghenesditnu, in an article he authored in 1983. The traditional Dena'ina name is also identified on the Kenai Peninsula College's interactive language map and cited in *Shem Pete's Alaska*. As stated by the applicant, the name Unhghenesditnu "contributes to the public awareness of Dena'ina names which usually have transparent meanings." The Kenaitze Tribal Council expressed support to name the previously unnamed creek Unhghenesditnu Creek. The Mountaineering Club of Alaska has no objection.

Is the recommended name in local usage? Yes	No X If Yes, appro	eximately how many year	rs?		
Is there local opposition to, or conflict with the recommended name (as located)? No conflict reported.					
For proposed new name, please provide evidence that feature is unnamed: Stream is unnamed in USGS Map Viewer. Search of GNIS shows Unhghenesditnu as the Dena'ina name for the area but is not associated with the creek.					
Additional information: The proposed name is associated with the Kalifornsky Villa	age site.				
Organizations for Consultation: Cook Inlet Tribal Council Kenai Peninsula Borough Kenaitze Indian Tribe Cook Inlet Regional, Inc. Department of Natural Resources					
Copy submitted by: Name (first, M.I., last)  James Kari	Title	Phone (day)	Date 2/25/22		
Company or Agency Alaska Native Language Center	Address (city, State, and Zip)				
Copy Prepared by (if other than above)  Jacobie L. Schwenke	Title NRS II	Phone (day) (907) 269-8749	Date 3/14/202		
Company or Agency  Alaska Department of Natural Resources/Office of History and Archaeology	Address (city, State, and Zip) 550 West 7th Ave., Suite 1310, Anchorage, AK 99501-3565				
Authority for Recommended Name: Mailing Address and Telephone		Occupation	Years in Area		